

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE BRISTOL COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY**

Thursday, September 7, 2006

450 CHILD STREET, WARREN OFFICE, BOARD ROOM, WARREN, RI

Pursuant to proper notice, the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bristol County Water Authority was called to order by Chairman Anger at 6:00 pm, in the Warren Office, Board Room, 450 Child Street, Warren Rhode Island. Executive Director Pasquale DeLise, and the following Directors were in attendance at the commencement of the meeting:

Bert Anger, John Jannitto, Allan Klepper, John Saviano, John Veader

Directors Absent – William Lavey, Ian Morrison, Frank Sylvia

HOUSEKEEPING

Minutes of the following meeting were reviewed.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: That the minutes of the regular meeting of August 10, 2006,

be approved.

Motion unanimously.

Director Joseph Rego entered the meeting at 6:05 pm.

AUDIT FINANCE COMMITTEE

Old Business, Director Rego reported:

1. Meter Replacement Program, A plan was discussed, item to remain on Agenda for further discussion. Committee requests Staff for a plan of action for the replacement of all faulty meters.

Executive Director DeLise reported there was a problem with the high service tank in Bristol during the weekend. These are significant capital expenditures, meters and tanks. These expenditures have to be financed. Executive Director DeLise stated that BCWA could possibly borrow the money. Director Saviano stated that Chairman Anger told the Board in March that the budget would be reviewed in 6 months, and this has not happened. Chairman Anger stated that the budget would be discussed at the October meetings.

Director Veader questioned the progress of the sale of land on Kent Street, Barrington. Executive Director DeLise stated that a finalized recommendation will be made at the October meetings. Appraisal of the land has not yet been done.

New Business

1. Quarterly Charge-Offs, Committee recommends approval. Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve charge-offs in the amount of \$8,292.65, as presented.

PUBLIC RELATIONS/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

New Business, Director Veader reported:

1. Boardroom Furnishings/Decorations/Fixtures, the flag for the Boardroom has not been received from Representative Jan Malik.

2. Staff Annual MBO's, Director Veader requested salary ranges and salaries from East Providence Water, Kent County Water, Newport Water. This year there are four Staff employees that will exceed their salary cap.

Director Klepper stated that the deadline for salary increases is not being met. The Board has never changed the Executive Director's recommendation, the Board has an obligation to its people.

Executive Director DeLise asked if raises could be given to the five employees whose salary range was under their cap.

Director Veader made the following motion, which was duly seconded

MOTION: That the Operations Manager, Production Superintendent, Manager of Customer and Commercial Service and Executive Administrative Assistant be granted an increase according to the recommendation of the Executive Director.

Motion was defeated with a 3 – 3 vote. Voting Aye Directors Saviano, Veader and Klepper. Voting Nay Chairman Anger, Directors Rego and Jannitto.

ENGINEERING COMMITTEE

Director Klepper reported:

Director Klepper reported that there was a problem with the high service water tank in Bristol this weekend. Distribution Superintendent Domenic Soignoli reported that his men noticed daylight entering the tank and water dripping inside the tank when samples were being taken. Also, two motors failed the previous week. Merithew Inc. was called to inspect the tank. A tank hatch was open and cracks were seen in some of the wells. The tank was drained immediately and Steel Maintenance Corp. welded 3 areas that needed repair. The tank was disinfected and refilled. There was no fire protection at this time but the fire chiefs were notified of the situation. The cost for this work was \$17,533.

Old Business

1. RIDOH Sanitary Survey, Staff preparing a line of action for implementation of items, a report will be presented to Committee at

October meetings.

New Business

- 1. Anawan Club, Meeting to be held September 12, 2006 at 10 am.**
- 2. Shad Factory Dam Inspection, Commonwealth requires inspection of dam at Shad Factory Reservoir. Executive Director DeLise stated that this item has to go out to bid.**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Executive Director's Report was self-explanatory.

NEXT STEPS

- 1. Engineering Committee Meeting, Tuesday, October 3, 2006, 5:15 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.**
- 2. Public Relations/Personnel Committee Meeting, Wednesday, October 4, 2006, 5:15 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.**
- 3. Audit Finance Committee Meeting, Thursday, October 5, 2006, 5:15 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.**
- 4. Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, Thursday, October 12, 2006, 6:00 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

William J. Lavey, Jr.

BCWA Secretary